



99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0198

by Rep. Robyn Gabel

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

625 ILCS 5/11-1308 new

Amends the Illinois Vehicle Code. Prohibits the parking of non-electric vehicles in charging station spaces designated for electric vehicles. Allows any person or local authority owning or operating a parking facility to remove or cause to be removed any non-electric vehicle parked within a charging station space designated for use by an electric vehicle. Imposes a minimum fine of \$75 on a person parking a non-electric vehicle in a space designated for electric vehicles. Requires municipalities to display signs indicating the fine imposed for a violation. Defines "electric vehicle", "electric vehicle charging station", and "electric vehicle registration plates".

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1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by adding
5 Section 11-1308 as follows:

6 (625 ILCS 5/11-1308 new)

7 Sec. 11-1308. Unauthorized use of parking places reserved
8 for electric vehicles.

9 (a) For the purposes of this Section:

10 "Electric vehicle" means a battery-powered electric
11 vehicle operated solely by electricity or a plug-in hybrid
12 electric vehicle that operates on electricity and gasoline and
13 has a battery that can be recharged from an external source.

14 "Electric vehicle charging station" means any facility or
15 equipment that is used to charge a battery or other energy
16 storage device of an electric vehicle.

17 "Electric vehicle registration plates" means plates issued
18 for the vehicle under Section 3-805 of this Code.

19 (b) It shall be prohibited to park a non-electric vehicle
20 in an electric vehicle charging station designated for use by
21 electric vehicles, including an electric vehicle charging
22 station on any private or public offstreet parking facility. A
23 person may only park an electric vehicle or a vehicle properly

1 displaying electric vehicle registration plates in an electric
2 vehicle charging station space designated for use by electric
3 vehicles.

4 (c) Any person or local authority owning or operating any
5 public or private offstreet parking facility may, after
6 notifying the police or sheriff's department, remove or cause
7 to be removed to the nearest garage or other place of safety
8 any non-electric vehicle parked within an electric vehicle
9 charging station space designated for use by electric vehicles.

10 (d) It shall not be a defense to a charge under this
11 Section that the sign or notice posted at the electric vehicle
12 charging station or the designated parking space does not
13 comply with applicable rules, regulations, or local
14 ordinances, if a reasonable person would be made aware by the
15 sign or notice on or near the parking space that the space is
16 reserved for electric vehicles.

17 (e) Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of
18 subsection (b) shall be fined \$75 in addition to any costs or
19 charges connected with the removal or storage of the
20 non-electric vehicle; but municipalities by ordinance may
21 impose a fine up to \$100 and shall display signs indicating the
22 fine imposed. If the amount of the fine is subsequently
23 changed, the municipality shall change the sign to indicate the
24 current amount of the fine.